Come Out of Her, My People

Noah begat three sons that is Shem, and Ham, and Japheth. And Ham begat Cush, Cush begat Nimrod. Nimrod was a mighty hunter before the Lord. "And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar." Genesis 10:10. **"**And the **whole earth was one language, and of one speech.** And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there. And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth. And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded. And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do:and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. Go to, let us go down, **and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.** So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. **Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth:** and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth." Genesis 11:1-9.

Let us consider that, the word Babel, was the outcome from confounding the language thus making it infeasible at all for the city and the tower to be built. Therefore, **Babel means confusion.** The word Babel has been for almost the past four thousand years since the time of Nimrod. Rebellion against God that leads unto idolatry has been the source for confusion among the human race from generation to generation. The confusion which is talked about here whose origin is Babel, today is religious confusion. Accepting one part of the Holy Scriptures while rejecting other parts of the very Holy Scriptures leads to confusion, and abiding to the confusion is to be Babylon.

Babylon and harlot in the end-time prophesy means the same thing, that is, religious confusion. "And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH." Revelation 17:5. The papal power is here mentioned as Babylon the great and the mother of harlots as well. An harlot is a filthy woman or a fornicator. In the prophetic language, an harlot means a filthy church, with false doctrines, opposed to a clean woman or a virgin which is the church of God. The Catholic Church for making the ten commandments of God and His other precepts of none effect then employing her influence to pervert other religious denominations, makes her to be called Babylon the great or the mother of harlots.

"Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." Revelation 14:8. Wine in prophetic language means false doctrines. It is manifest that the source of many false doctrines is the Catholic church which is called Babylon the great or the mother of harlots. It is now plain that all religious denominations that drink of the wine of her fornication are called Babylon or daughters of the harlot. "In the eighteenth chapter of the Revelation the people of God are called upon to come out of Babylon. According to this scripture, many of God's people must still be in Babylon. And in what religious bodies are the greater part of the followers of Christ now to be found?

Without doubt, in the various churches professing the Protestant faith." The Great Controversy, pg. 383.

The second angel's message of Revelation 14:8, that points to the fall of Babylon has been announced since 1844 to the various churches that constitute Babylon, yet the message has been announced for decades in divers places in the world to the Seventh-day Adventist Church as one of the Protestant church pointing to her fall. Those who have been announcing the message of the second angel have been executing the God's command, saying, "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew My people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins." Isaiah 58:1. As the time is passing, this message must be preached to the people of God in the various religious denominations and to a rebellious Seventh-day Adventist Church. Let it be remembered that the Church of God began to rebel again since the time of Ellen G. White the prophetess, yet the rebellion has been waxing stronger as we approach the announcement of the national Sunday law in America. **And now it is no more a mystical but an open Babylon.**

"The LORD said unto him, go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof." Ezekiel 9:4. In this time of probation, the work of setting a seal upon the foreheads of the **men that sigh and that cry** for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof is still proceeding. Some of those that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in Jerusalem have already come out of her, yet others are still therein. This day God is calling upon them saying, "Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities." Revelation 18:4, 5. This message of another angel, the fourth angel, shall be preached with a strong voice when Sunday shall be announced as a day of worship in all over the world, yet after that announcement the door of mercy will be shut to those who claimed to profess the truth. **As God's judgments begin at His sanctuary, so is the message of call to come out.**

As to other saints of God that sigh and that cry for the abominations that be done in the house of God, Ellen G. White the prophetess also sighed and cried and seemed to separate herself for a while from the church that began to rebel in her time, only thirteen years before her death. "I have but very little confidence that the Lord is giving these men in positions of responsibility spiritual eyesight and heavenly discernment. I am thrown into perplexity over their course; and I desire now to attend to my special work, to have no part in any of their councils, and to attend no camp meetings, nigh nor afar off. My mind shall not be dragged into confusion by the tendency they manifest to work directly contrary to the light that God has given me. I am done. I will preserve my God-given intelligence. My voice has been heard in the different conferences and at camp meetings. I must now make a change. . . . . I shall, therefore, leave them to receive word from the Bible, in which the principles upon which they should work are laid down in straight lines. . . . .This is the light given me, and I shall not depart from it."—Letter W—186 12-2-1902 to Edson and Willie White, Letters and Manuscripts 17, letter 186, 1902. This is the letter to her sons, Edson and William explaining a decision she had made to have no part in any of the councils and to attend no camp meetings. Those who were entrusted as men in positions of responsibility were looking to their own way and work directly contrary to the light that God has given. This led the messenger of God to sigh and cry.

As we approach the end of the time, the world is introduced into the church making the Seventh-day Adventist Church Babylon. Ellen G. White the prophetess says, "The world must not be introduced into the church, and married to the church, forming a bond of unity. Through this means the church will become indeed corrupt, and as stated in Revelation, **"a cage of every unclean and hateful bird."** Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, pg. 265. We shall consider some examples that make the Seventh-day Adventist Church Babylon, "a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." Revelation 18:2.

Pastor Blasius Luguri who is the current president of the East-Central Africa Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church—ECD, when at Magomeni camp meeting, in Dar es Salaam city in July, 2007, the time when he was the general secretary of that division, plainly he stated before his audience the work he performs in these last hours of the earth's history, saying, "There are churches I am preparing there in Nairobi, which I am preparing so that we can start to change our Adventist old customs, if they will say that I have rebelled let them say! They tell me pastor stop there, let us celebrate first! I am telling you, God's people were dancing, the holy dancing, before their God. I was standing there in the front, and they start kissing me right there in the front, those who want to say, let them say! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Why do you leave only to the Pentecostal the joy of the Lord! David, David the king. . . . . I am telling you, I, if God will not help me one of these days you will think that I am continuing to preach here, only to find that I have gone, and not that I have gone back to Nairobi; **I have gone there, to the other side**."—Pr. Blasius Luguri.

"What is the object of the ministry? Is it to mix the comical with the religious? The theater is the place for such exhibitions. If Christ is formed within, if the truth with its sanctifying power is brought into the inner sanctuary of the soul, you will not have jolly men, neither will you have soar, cross, crabbed men to teach the precious lessons of Christ to perishing souls." Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, pg. 143. Let us bear in mind that religious leaders have ever been in the front line in bringing in religious confusion. In spite of the fact that the sermon of this minister is full of soar and pride and abominations, yet he was announcing that it is lawful today for the Seventh-day Adventists to dance. Singing the songs with few, smooth words from the Scripture and **the common music** as to arouse the body to dancing, has been nowadays the singing unto the people of the house of Jacob.

As unto the mother of harlots, so it is with the Seventh-day Adventist Church in these days **they worship idols**. The General Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church—GCSDA, portrays how the church is in all over the world. The graven, the drawn or the molten images are plenty through the campuses of the General Conference. Among the idols are the images of Ellen G. White the prophetess, **angels, and Jesus**. "Neither God nor heaven nor Christ, who is the image of the Father, can be truly represented by the art of man." Manuscript Release 15, pg. 105. No one who loves God can see images particularly at the sanctuary of God without his spirit being stirred. "Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, **his spirit was stirred in him**, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry." Acts 17:16. "What profiteth the **graven** image that the maker thereof hath graven it; the **molten** image, and a teacher of lies?" Habakkuk 2:18. "Cursed be the man that maketh any **graven** or **molten** image, an abomination unto the LORD." Deuteronomy 27:15. Every one within the body is affected in one or another way by the abominations that be done in the midst thereof. "The headquarters of our church, affect

the whole body of believers. If the physical heart is healthy, the blood that is sent from it through the system is also healthy; but if this fountain is impure, the whole organism becomes diseased by the poison of the vital fluid. So it is with us. If the heart of the work becomes corrupt, the whole church, in its various branches and interests, scattered abroad over the face of the earth, suffers in consequence." Testimonies for the Church, vol. 4, pg. 210.

Introduction of the movements in favour of women's rights into the church is an abomination before God. In 1995 there was a world conference on women empowerment, met in Beijing city in China. After that conference the movements in favour of women's rights have waxed stronger. Currently the movements are waxing stronger and stronger and the aim of those who are engaged in them is to empower women as to have equal positions as men chiefly in rulership or leadership. When sin came in unto the world, God said unto the woman about her husband that, "and he shall rule over thee." Genesis 3:16. Any movement to make the two equal, or the woman to rule over the man is an abomination in the sight of God. After that conference met in Beijing China, the Seventh-day Adventist Church has been also striving to bring the movements into the church. The word of God says, "Those who feel called out to join the movement in favor of woman's rights and the so-called dress reform might as well sever all connection with the third angel's message." Testimonies for the Church, vol. 1, pg. 457. Today the church has set apart a special Sabbath against God's order as a women's Sabbath. In it women conduct the divine service, pray. Although the day may differ from one church to another, yet it is linked to the International Women's Day. The Psalmist says, "The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Psalms 68:11. All people regardless of their gender or age have right to publish the word of God. This does not mean that all people can perform all services in the church.

Paul the apostle made it clear by writing an epistle unto Timothy, saying, "This is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. A bishop then must be blameless, **the husband of one wife**, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; (for if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?) Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. Likewise must the deacons be grave, not double tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre; holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience. And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being found blameless. Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things. **Let the deacons be the husbands** of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus. These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly: but if I tarry long, that thou mayeth know **how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God**, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." 1 Timothy 3:1-15. The qualities of a bishop or a deacon have been well set forth in the Paul's epistle. With many other qualities as set forth **they must also be men**. In addition to this Paul says that, "I will therefore that **men pray** every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." 1 Timothy 2:8.

A bishop is an overseer of the church who is the church elder or shepherd. A deacon is a servant of the church. Although Paul has mentioned these two positions of overseership, and servantship, however all church members should minister in the church in accordance with their gifts. A bishop serving together with deacons is to supervise or conduct the divine service, baptism, marriage, Lord's supper, burial service and so forth.

When other religious denominations worship the **cross** and exalt it highly even to set a special day for the cross, moreover by graving, drawing, or melting the cross whose origin is god-Tammuz, as Ezekiel the prophet says, "Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD'S house which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz." Ezekiel 8:14, today even unto the people of the house of God, they weep for her and exalt the cross that originated from her. Originally, the cross was in the form of (T), that is, Tammuz, and after centuries later this form was fashioned into the form of the cross we see today. During the ancient Roman Empire, the cross was made the place for executing malefactors. Jesus lived on earth during the time of the Roman Empire, and He was crucified on the cross after the manner of executing malefactors at that time, though He was not a malefactor. The cross was a shameful place, unworthy of honour, only God is worthy of that honour. When Seventh-day Adventists see and become astonished by the people of other denominations bearing the cross, wearing it about the neck, garnishing their churches or houses with the images of the cross, they also highly exalt the cross seen at the plan of their houses of worship, in their literature, in various church announcements, in their churches and houses. The graves wherein the Seventh-day Adventists are buried have been put the cross as unto the other people who do not profess the third angel's message. The sign of the cross manifests the power of the Catholic church over other Protestant churches.

Ellen G. White the prophetess saw the cross brought in unto the house of God. She says, "That night I dreamed that I was in Battle Creek looking out from the side glass at the door and saw a company matching up to the house, two and two. They looked stern and determined. I knew them well and turned to open the parlor door to receive them, but thought I should look again. The scene was changed. The company now presented the appearance of a Catholic procession. One bore in his hand a cross, another a reed. And as they approached, the one carrying a reed made a circle around the house, saying three times: "This house is proscribed. The goods must be confiscated. They have spoken against our holy order." Terror seized me, and I ran through the house, out of the north door, and found myself in the midst of a company, some of whom I knew, but I dared not speak a word to them for **fear of being betrayed**." Testimonies for the Church, vol. 1, pg. 578. Instead of using the banner of the cross which shows the union of churches that are united by the papacy that shall make an image to the beast, let "**The commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus**," Revelation 14:12, ever be the banner pronouncing the church of God, and it should always be unfurled.

Errors or "the wine of the wrath of her fornication," Revelation 18:3; that make the house of God "a cage of every unclean and hateful bird," Revelation 18:2, are brought in by those we know communicating with those we know not. Talking about the errors that make the Seventh-day Adventist Church Babylon, few months before her death, Ellen G. White the prophetess said, "I tell you now, that when I am laid to rest, great changes will take place. . . . . I want the people to know that I warned them fully before my death." Letters and Manuscripts 25,

Manuscripts 1, Feb 24, 1915.

Spiritualism in the house of Jacob is common nowadays. Spiritualism is a belief of communicating with the dead. There are divers manners of spiritualism; paying the last tribute unto the dead is one of the manners of spiritualism. This has also been conducted by the people of the house of God. "To him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion. For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten." Ecclesiates 9:4, 5. It is sad that this evil practice of spiritualism of paying the last tribute unto the dead has been conducted even in the church moreover on the Sabbath day. "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." Exodus 20:8.

The Seventh-day Adventists have joined unto the people of other denominations to put down Ellen G. white the prophetess. This has not begun today but has been waxing stronger and stronger as the church is married to the world. Some time in the past those who claimed to profess the truth humbled her, and she rebuked them. She says, "In a recent dream I was brought before an assembly of people, some of whom were making efforts to remove the impression of a most solemn testimony of warning that I had given them. They said: "We believe Sister White's Testimonies; but when she tells us things that she has not directly seen in vision in the particular case under consideration, her words are of no more account to us than the words of any other person." The Spirit of the Lord came upon me, and I arose and rebuked them in the name of the Lord." Testimonies for the Church, vol. 5, pg. 687. It does not matter that the testimonies are whether from the visions or not, the important thing is that they are inspired of God and thus there is no need of doubting them.

"It is Satan's plan to weaken the faith of God's people in the *Testimonies*. Next follows skepticism in regard to the vital points of our faith, the pillars of our position, then doubt as to the Holy Scripture, and then the downward march to perdition. When the *Testimonies*, which were once believed, are doubted and given up, Satan knows the deceived ones will not stop at this; and he redoubles his efforts till he launches them into **open rebellion**, which becomes incurable and ends in destruction." Testimonies for the Church, vol. 4, pg. 211.

For a long time the Seventh-day Adventist Church has been a mystical Babylon, but it is now no longer a mystical but an **open Babylon**; for the rebellion that is done therein is open. Wherefore God is calling upon His people that are therein, saying, "Come out of her, My people." Revelation 18:4.

Participation of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the sessions of the World Council of Churches—WCC, formed by the various religious denominations under the Catholic church also reveals that she has become one of the daughters of the mother of harlots. "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" Amos 3:3. Even if they shall not vote to make any decision in the council, still God warns, saying, "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful." Psalms 1:1. It is evident that there is an agreement between the Seventh-day Adventists and other members of the World Council of Churches. The main object for the establishment of the council is to ensure that there is Christian unity in doctrine and faith, that is why great efforts

have been made to remove the differences among the Christian denominations. Let it be understood that this council shall make an image to the beast. "The question has been asked, what do you mean by a confederacy? Who have formed confederacies? You know what a confederacy is—a union of men in a work that does not bear the stamp of pure, straightforward, unswerving integrity." Letters and Manuscripts 25, Manuscripts 29, 1911. This confederacy which is formed by the various churches is not consistent for it does not obey the truth. **Persistence in taking part in this confederacy is an open rebellion whereby every church member is made a partaker by his offerings.**

God warns through Ellen G. White, saying, "Let the watchmen on the walls of Zion not join with those who are making of none effect the truth as it is in Christ. Let them not join the confederacy of infidelity, popery, and Protestantism in exalting tradition above scripture, reason above revelation, and human talent above the divine influence and the vital power of godliness." The Review and Herald, March 24, 1896.

For a church to become Babylon it is not necessary to reject all the precepts of God, "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all. For He that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law." James 2:10, 11. Other Protestant denominations keep the first day of the week instead of the seventh, the holy Sabbath of the Lord. Even though these denominations obey some other truths but by keeping Sunday—a false Sabbath make them Babylon. Likewise the Seventh-day Adventist Church, although she keeps the Sabbath but by rejecting the other truths which she obeyed in the past makes her Babylon.

Let Ezekiel chapter 8 and 9 be read in reverence by the people of God so that they may learn on God's judgments in the house of Jacob. This prophesy is now fulfilled unto the Seventh-day Adventist Church. At this time both the sealing and judgment continue. The seal of God in the midst of Jerusalem is set "upon the foreheads of the men that **sigh** and that **cry** for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof." Ezekiel 9:4. The sealing and the judgment unto the people of God will cease after the international Sunday law, then there shall be a little while of mercy for the people of God who are in other denominations whom majority of them heard the third angel's message, now the Holy Spirit is making a conviction in their heart, and they are given again a call to come out by another angel with a strong voice. The call is now given to the people of God in Jerusalem, which says, "Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities." Revelation 18:4, 5.

We may inquire why coming out, why should we not remain there in Jerusalem? We must come out to make revival and reformation and to keep the faith that we may finally be confident to say, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my cause, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7. "A revival and a reformation must take place, under the ministration of the Holy Spirit. **Revival and Reformation are two different things**. Revival signifies a renewal of spiritual life, a quickening of the powers of mind and heart, a resurrection **from spiritual death**. Reformation signifies a reorganization, a change in ideas and theories, habits and practices. **Reformation will** not **bring forth the good fruit of righteousness unless it is connected with the revival of the spiri**t. Revival and reformation are to do their appointed work and in doing this work they must

blend." Review and Herald, Feb 25, 1902.

Both revival and reformation are divided in two parts, that is, a part which involves only an individual church member, and a part which includes the whole church as a body of believers under the General Conference. There are many of God's people in Jerusalem who are making personal revival and reformation in all the physical, mental, and spiritual line; these are they "that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof." Ezekiel 9:4. These are they whom God is beseeching to come out before His judgments have fallen. Jesus also sighed and cried for the abominations that were done by the Pharisees in the temple, who are today the Seventh-day Adventists, and **He departed from them and decided to separate** from them with His disciples as a conqueror, whereby in 70 A.D., the judgments of God fell upon Jerusalem. Those who obeyed the call to come out survived.

What made us to come out from other denominations are now done in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, "Some have feared that if in even a single point they acknowledge themselves in error, other minds would be lead to doubt the whole theory of truth. Therefore they have felt that investigation should not be permitted, that it would tend to **dissension and disunion**. But if such is to be the result of investigation, **the sooner it comes the better**." Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, pg. 105.

For the fear of being put out, many among the church members have been solely murmuring in their heart without even using their pen or voice to protest against bigotry, some have been comforting themselves that "This is the church of God, He will not forsake His church." Let us bear in mind that God has no permanent friendship. "Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy father should walk before Me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from Me; for them that honour Me I will honour, and they that despise Me shall be lightly esteemed." 1 Samuel 2:30. The Seventh-day Adventist Church under the General Conference has lost the identity as the church of God, and she has become like other churches, that is why God shows His mercies by calling upon His people to come out of her. "There is but one church in the world who are at the present time standing in the breach, building up the old waste places." Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, pg. 50. The church in which God speaks of through Ellen G. White the prophetess, now they are standing in the breach and restoring "the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone." Ephesians 2:20. But the rebellious Seventh-day Adventist Church, through her ministers who should act as guardians of the sacred trust, announce publicly to lead the church members to give up the old pillars of the church as to match with other denominations.

"God has a church. It is not the great cathedral, neither is it the national establishment, neither is it the various denominations; it is the people who love God and keep His commandments. "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." Where Christ is, even among the humble few, this is Christ's church, for the presence of the High and Holy One who inhabiteth eternity can alone constitute a church." Manuscript Release 17, pg. 81.

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